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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN PARLIAMENTARY VISIT

REFS: A. RABAT 3439 B. STATE 144455 C. STATE 151751
D. N. ANDERSON-WILKINSON TELCONS, JUNE 16 AND 19

1. FOR AMBASSADOR ANDERSON'S MEETING WITH MOROCCAN PARLIAMENTARY PRESIDENT DEY OULD SIDI BABA ON JUNE 20 TO EXTEND INVITATION ON BEHALF OF SPEAKER O'NEILL, WE ARE NOT YET IN A POSITION TO STATE EXTENT OF ACTIVITIES BEYOND PROMISED MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS THAT MAY BE ORGANIZED FOR MOROCCAN GROUP ON CAPITOL HILL. WE FORESEE NO DIFFICULTY IN ORGANIZING TOUR OF THE CAPITOL AND BRIEFING ON ADMINISTRATIVE WORKINGS OF CONGRESS, AND WE HAVE PASSED ON SUGGESTION THAT A TEA BE ORGANIZED FOR VISITORS, OR FAILING THAT, A RECEPTION BE HELD IN STATE.

2. AMBASSADOR MAY WISH TO TELL OULD SIDI BABA THAT
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FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES WERE ORGANIZED FOR MEMBERS OF EGYPTIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION VISITING U.S. LAST YEAR, AND INQUIRE WHICH IF ANY MOROCCAN GROUP WOULD HAVE PARTICULAR INTEREST IN:

-- TOUR OF LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
-- MEETINGS WITH OFFICIALS OF STATE DEPARTMENT

- CALLS ON OFFICIALS OF OTHER USG DEPARTMENTS
- MEETINGS WITH SELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF U.S. MEDIA
- MEETINGS WITH LEADERS OF U.S. JEWISH COMMUNITY
- TRAVEL OUTSIDE WASHINGTON AND MEETINGS WITH STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERS. (FYI: EXTREMELY LIMITED ICA FUNDING MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR TRAVEL BY MOROCCAN PARLIAMENTARIANS, AS PARTIAL LEADER GRANTEES, BUT WE WOULD PREFER TO DEFER DISCUSSION OF FUNDING UNTIL WE HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF MOROCCAN DESIRES, AND NUMBER IN GROUP. END FYI.)

3. WE WILL BEGIN COORDINATING ACTIVITIES OF MOROCCAN PARLIAMENTARIANS IN U.S. WITH MOROCCAN EMBASSY ON RECEIPT OF YOUR REPORT ON OULD SIDI BABA'S REACTIONS. VANCE

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